

Fair. Colder tonight and tomorrow.

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WEST VIRGINIA'S SIGNAL TO FLEET IS CAUGHT HERE

Wireless Message Strays Thousand Miles to the North.

PRESIDENT OFF FLORIDA

Cruiser Carrying Him Making High Speed Out of Gulf.

Intercepted Message

"October 28, 2:07 a. m. "To the commanding officer of the Colorado: "West Virginia will arrive off Sand Key light about noon today. "Eighteen knots. "BROWNSON." Wireless dispatch from the ship carrying President Howard; message traveled in air 1,000 miles to Washington Navy Yard.

The Washington navy yard wireless telegraph station early this morning intercepted a wireless message from the cruiser West Virginia, upon which the President is coming to this city, and which is now somewhere off the Florida coast.

The message was sent by Rear Admiral Brownson, of the West Virginia, to the cruiser Colorado, one of the conveying squadron. It stated that the West Virginia would arrive off Sand Key light house about noon. The connection was momentarily lost. Then the message concluded with the words: "Eighteen knots. BROWNSON."

Near Key West. Sand Key light is near Key West, off the extreme southern coast of Florida. The message was sent from some point in the Gulf of Mexico, and it is considered a remarkable feat to catch the vibrations at the Washington station more than a thousand miles away.

Talking to Fleet. It is supposed that Admiral Brownson was directing his convoys in the rate of speed they should make, in order to keep up with the West Virginia.

President Boards Ship To Flaring of Trumpets

OFF SOUTH PASS, Miss., Oct. 27.—(Via wireless to Key West, Fla., Oct. 28.)—At 9:30 a. m. President Roosevelt, accompanied by Surgeon General Rixey, of the Navy, and Secretary Loeb, came on board the U. S. S. West Virginia from the lighthouse tender Ivy. He was received at the gangway by Rear Admiral Brownson, Captain Arnold and the admiral's personal staff.

All the officers were assembled on the quarter deck in special full-dress uniform, the crew manned the rail and the marine guard and band were paraded.

Salutes and Music. When the President ascended the quarter deck, officers and men saluted, the marine guard presented arms, the drums and bugles gave four ruffles and flourishes, the band playing the "Star-Spangled Banner." The admiral's flag was hoisted down and the President's flag broken at the main mast. A national salute of twenty-one guns was fired. The West Virginia immediately got under way for Chesapeake Bay.

Off Key West, she will be joined by the Pennsylvania and the Colorado.

Speed Is High. The speed to be maintained is eighteen knots. It will be the first time in the history of this country that any squadron has cruised at such a speed for a long distance.

The minutest details did not escape the President's attention. The West Virginia, owing to Captain Arnold and her executive officer, Lieutenant Commander Harry George, is in excellent condition, and the President was particularly pleased with the cleanliness and neatness of her crew. The President is in excellent health and having a smooth and pleasant trip.

WEATHER REPORT.

Pressure is high throughout the country, with the crest over North Dakota. As a consequence, low temperatures prevail except in the middle Atlantic States and New England, and in the upper Mississippi valley, the upper lake region, and the Northwest they are 10 to 17 degrees below the seasonal average. High pressure influences will continue to prevail during the next few days, and cool and generally fair weather may therefore be expected over the eastern half of the country. It will be much colder in the Ohio valley and lower lake region tonight and Sunday, and colder Sunday in the middle Atlantic States.

TEMPERATURE. 9 53 12 50 1 45

DOWNTOWN. (Registered Atfield's Standard Thermometer.) 9 53 12 50 1 45

THE SUN. Sun sets today 5:56 p.m. Sun rises tomorrow 6:22 a.m.

TIDE TABLE. Low tide today 1:55 p.m. High tide today 7:45 a.m. Low tide tomorrow 2:58 p.m. High tide tomorrow 8:37 a.m.

ONCE GOVERNMENT CROP EXPERT, NOW CONDUCTS HER OWN BUREAU



MRS. BERTHA BURCH, Who Is Doing Some Remarkable Estimating From an Office in New York.

Mrs. Burch Launches Rival Crop Bureau

Opens Private Office in New York to Compete With Department of Agriculture. Hyde Reported in It.

A new crop estimating bureau has been launched as a private enterprise. A former official of the statistical bureau, Department of Agriculture, is said to be supplying the financial backing of this agency. The advance reports issued by this bureau are signed by Bertha Burch, as "crop estimator." The first and only report issued at the present time, and it is considered a remarkable feat to catch the vibrations at the Washington station more than a thousand miles away.

Hyde With Her. Mrs. Burch is familiar with crop estimating. The five years she was employed in a statistical capacity by the Department of Agriculture was evidently put to good use. When her resignation was accepted by Secretary Wilson last July, she said she would open a crop estimating agency. It is freely said that her former chief, John Hyde, is connected with her venture.

Hyde's Office. Mrs. Burch's office is in the Beaver Building, 92 Beaver street, New York, and she is laying the foundation for a permanent agency. Under date of October 11, she wrote the Department of Agriculture for copies

of some public records pertaining to crop report compilations. This was the first intimation of her branching out as an estimator of crops.

Capable Estimators. Mrs. Burch and Hyde are both capable of compiling reliable reports. They know the names and location of the department's county and township agents, and it is said, are getting their information from the same people who furnish it to the Government.

This arrangement cannot be avoided, according to the explanations offered by Secretary Wilson. The department's correspondents are not paid and are not required to handle the business exclusively for the Government.

Wilson Talks. "No one can question Hyde's ability as a statistician," said Secretary Wilson today. "He is thoroughly in touch with the exact conditions. Mrs. Burch is a clever woman and should have become almost as good at estimating as Hyde was."

An official of the Department of Agriculture said today: "They get a small corps of correspondents through the territory on which they give their estimates and from their own observation can get close to what we will give out. They do not pretend to give accurate reports. What they aim to do is to guess as closely as possible to what we will give out."

Moro Insurgent Leader Killed by Americans

Troublesome Datto Alihead Surprised by Troops—His Death Said to Have Ended Fight Against United States Authority.

MANILA, Oct. 28.—Datto Alihead, of the Moro insurgents, who have been making war for some time on Moros friendly to the government on the island of Mindanao, has been surprised by troops under the command of Capt. Frank R. McCoy, of the Third Cavalry, aide-de-camp to General Wood. Ali, together with his son and ten followers, was killed.

Three Americans Killed. The troops captured forty-three wounded Moros, many arms, and a large quantity of ammunition. Three men of the enlisted infantry were killed, and two were wounded during the engagement. Heavy fighting between the constabulary and Moro insurgents is reported near Lake Liguasan, Mindanao.

Datto Ali has long made trouble for the Americans in the Philippines. He took the aggressive on October 16, and since then has been engaged in killing

natives in Mindanao who were friendly to the government.

The killing of Datto Ali, it is said at the War Department, finally ends the insurrection of the Moros against the authority of the United States.

The official dispatch to the War Department, from Manila, telling of the fight, is as follows: "Brigadier General James A. Buchanan reports that Captain Frank R. McCoy, Third Cavalry, with a provisional company of the Twenty-second United States Infantry, surprised Ali, October 22, near Buluan, Mindanao. Ali, one son, and ten followers were killed; two of Ali's wives and several children, and forty-three followers prisoners; most of latter wounded. Seven guns, 500 rounds of ammunition captured.

"Llewellyn W. Bobb, Company G, Twenty-second Infantry; Martin L. Baies, Company K, Twenty-second Infantry, killed; John J. Rorke, Company G, Twenty-second Infantry, wounded. Constabulary killed, five. Captured ten Moros near Lake Liguasan on October 22."

100 Feet of Good Lumber for \$1.75. Libbey & Co., 6th st. and N. Y. ave.—Adv.

ALMOST A MILLION UNUSED PAPERS LEFT IN SENATE

Employees of Chamber Heard by Printing Probers.

WASTE CHOKES OFFICES

More Than Half From Agriculture Department and Survey.

Senate's Useless Library

Blue Book.....	\$204,300
Congressional Record.....	66,000
Agriculture.....	204,300
Geological Survey.....	210,286
War.....	26,079
Interior.....	16,736
Messages.....	18,221
Total.....	745,937

—Testimony before Landis Committee.

Testimony given to the Landis committee today by several employees of the Senate in the special inquiry into the administration of the Government Printing Office, shows that too many public documents are printed, and many are never used.

Amzi Smith, superintendent of the Senate document room, said he thought that so far as his office was concerned, he had reduced, as much as he safely could, the number of documents handled there. He thought no further reduction was advisable.

In reply to a question from Mr. Landis, Mr. Smith said he thought it a good plan to have the "reserve" number of public documents abolished, and to let the "up number" be relied on if Senators desired to have any copies bound. It has been shown that the reserve, held for any Senators who wish documents bound, is seldom used.

"Every year," he said, "I have a surplus of the summaries of commerce and finance. These are monthly publications. Also there is a good surplus of bulletins of the Geological Survey and the monthly bulletins of the Bureau of American Republics; also of the papers on irrigation and water supply."

Geologists Prolific.

"Much of this surplus is turned over to the Geological Survey, because I have no place to store them or send them. Some of the surplus of the consular reports is given to the Department of Commerce and Labor."

"I have also a large surplus of professional papers and publications of the Coast and Geodetic Survey."

Mr. Smith said that in the thirty years in which he has been in the Senate document room, the number of documents handled there has quadrupled.

Blue Books Galore.

A. H. Brewer, foreman of the folding room of the Senate, testified that the number of the yearbooks now in his room uncalled for is 204,300. Each Senator has 1,288 yearbooks for distribution.

There is 1,000,000 volumes of the yearbooks have been sent out lately. Of these, he said, 500,000 are uncalled for. In the folding room, he explained, there are now unused and uncalled for about 60,000 copies of the Congressional Record.

Of other departments' "uncalled-for" publications, which are at present cluttering up the Senate folding room, he gave figures totaling 15,632. Besides these, there are many others in smaller numbers.

E. M. Randall, sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, said the vast accumulation of public documents arises from the fact that too many are printed and sent to the Capitol.

Knows Nothing of Committee.

Mr. Randall said he thought it would be a wise provision to authorize somebody to dispose of accumulated documents after a certain period.

"There is a Senate committee to provide for the disposition of documents," suggested Mr. Landis.

"I know nothing about that committee," said the witness.

In reply to a question from Judge Perkins, Mr. Randall said: "The situation in a nutshell is that the publication and supply of public documents are increasing, while the demand for them is not growing at all."

House Has Million.

J. R. Halvorsen, superintendent of the folding room of the House of Representatives, said there are now in the folding room 1,000,000 volumes of public documents unused and uncalled for. Of these nine-tenths are bound. He declared there always were 1,000,000 of these documents on his hands.

Speaking of the distribution of public documents, Mr. Halvorsen said: "I presume the most diligent distributors are Congressmen in close districts."

REBELS CONTROL CITY OF MOSCOW



GENERAL TREPOFOV, Upon Whom the Russian Government Depends to Crush Out Rebellion.

GOVERNMENT PLANS TO CUT EXPENSES

All Departments Expected to Practice Economy.

FOR SAVING OF MILLIONS

Pruning Knife to Be Plied in Order to Meet Any Possible Deficit.

As a safeguard against any possible interference with the present current of prosperity in the country, the Administration is taking steps to strengthen its financial position as much as possible.

The deficit in the Treasury, together with the proposal to issue bonds in payment of expenses already incurred on the Panama canal, has given some slight measure of concern to financial people, and it is explained that the Administration is in fact figuring on the bond issue in order to remove all possibility of increasing the deficit and weakening its credit.

With so great an amount of money in circulation the per capita is larger than ever before—it is realized that the gold reserve, while more than ample for good times, might be embarrassingly depleted in case of any financial stringency, even temporary.

To Enforce Economies.

The deficit will be provided against by enforcement of economies in expenses. Already the danger of a serious deficit has been nearly done away with by reason of the great increase of customs receipts. The country is importing and paying duties on a greater amount of durable goods than ever before, and likewise on a much greater amount than the official estimates anticipated. Consequently, revenues for several months have been much larger than estimates, and have been reducing the deficit.

Whether this condition will continue for any length of time is very uncertain, and therefore the authorities are anxious to shorten their financial scale and be secure in case revenues again fall below expenditures.

Taft's Pruning Knife.

The estimates of Secretary Taft for the War Department, showing that he calculates on an economy of about \$90,000 in the expense of his branch of Government service, are expected to be typical of the estimates of other departments. The Secretary of the Interior has already shown some of the things he can do with his pruning knife, and the Secretary of Commerce and Labor is getting busy in the same direction. It will, therefore, be small surprise, in the opinion of men who have watched the development of the new economy regime, if as much as \$40,000,000 is carved off the estimates for the Government's conduct.

It is evident enough now, from the work that is being done in the direction of economy in all the departments, that Government expenses will be sufficiently pruned by the coming Congress to assure that the deficit will not assume dangerous proportions within the next two years. The President and his special representatives are working hard to systematize and classify government expenses, and to learn exactly what ones are wasteful.

They are going to prune off millions from the cost of Government supplies, other millions from the cost of printing, some other millions from the expense of running the Postoffice Department, and rumor says that a big bunch of millions will be carved off the payments to the railroads for carrying the mail.

HAAS AND PECKHAM NOT TO COME HERE

Discharged When Arraigned for Extradition.

ARREST ON BENCH WARRANT

United States Commissioner Ridgeway Decides They Do Not Have to Stand Trial Here.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Moses Haas and Frederick A. Peckham, New York cotton brokers arrested on a bench warrant based on an indictment found by the grand jury of Washington, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the Government in connection with the cotton leak scandal, were today discharged by United States Commissioner Ridgeway.

They had been arraigned before him for removal to Washington to stand trial there.

Law Is Quoted.

The commissioner quoted at great length from previous decisions of the United States Supreme Court and judges of circuit courts in several States holding that it was absolutely essential in all such removal cases that the Government must establish beyond all doubt the fact that an offense has been committed.

In conclusion the commissioner said that the law of the District of Columbia is today the common law of England. The alleged offense is that the defendants conspired with Holmes, the assistant statistician of the bureau of agriculture, in an act of official misconduct on Holmes' part. Misconduct is not a crime under the laws of the United States.

Logical Conclusion.

Carried to its logical conclusion a man who had been found by an act, or failure, to do his duty on the part of some minor clerk in the Government service, could be arrested anywhere within the domain of the country and transported thousands of miles to stand trial according to the commission.

On motion of counsel for the defense, Haas and Peckham were then discharged from custody.

MRS. O'NEIL LEFT MONEY TO CHURCHES AND ORPHANS

St. Peter's Church, St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, and the Little Sisters of the Poor, of this city, and St. Paul's Church, of Burlington, N. J., are named as beneficiaries by Margaret Melania O'Neil in her will dated March 15, 1904, which has been offered for probate. She leaves \$500 to the New Jersey Church, \$500 to St. Peter's Church, and \$200 to each of the other institutions. The household effects of the testatrix are also left to the Little Sisters of the Poor.

With the exceptions of several small bequests to relatives, the remainder of the estate is left to Pauline Luttmann and Louise Feltz.

KILLED BY WILD BULLET. SAVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 28.—Mrs. Lella Wheeler, wife of F. F. Wheeler, was killed as she sat at the foot of the steps leading from her stoop at 277 Broughton street east, by a wild bullet from the pistol of E. A. Moore, a drunken street car conductor.

\$49.25 to California Without Change, Via So. Ry. & So. Pacific through Land of the Sky and Memphis. Personally delivered, berth \$3.50. A. J. Poston, general agent, 31 Pa. ave. n.w., 705 15th st.—Adv.

Revolutionists Are Acting Independent of the Czar's Government.

ST. PETERSBURG CIRCLES ARE TERROR STRICKEN

Other Towns Take the Fever and Want Independence.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 28.—1:30 p. m.—Revolution has been declared at Moscow. The city is controlled by men acting independently of the Czar.

The new government at Moscow was established at a meeting of delegates from all the political parties in the district. The delegates decided to unite in a revolt against the authority of the imperial government, and resolutions were adopted calling on the people of Moscow and its vicinity to hereafter disregard all authority of the imperial government officials.

Advices from Moscow show that the revolutionists virtually control all the city departments. The agitators are going among the troops and inducing many soldiers to leave their posts.

The news from Moscow has created a feeling of terror among the officials in St. Petersburg. Great apprehension is felt that the whole empire will soon be in a state of anarchy.

SOLDIERS OUTNUMBERED

The military authorities at Warsaw today assumed control of the city's government. Extra troops were ordered to patrol the streets and to disperse all crowds, whether inside or outside of buildings.

The men on strike in Warsaw outnumber the soldiers there over 3 to 1, and it is feared that a conflict between the people and the military is imminent. The troops at Warsaw have placed machine guns on several of the principal streets and everything is being done by the soldiers to awe the strikers.

At Gomel this morning a revolutionist made an attempt to kill the chief of police. The assassin hurled a bomb at the official while he was on his way in his carriage to police headquarters. The bomb exploded near the official's carriage, wrecking it and badly wounding the chief of police and two mounted soldiers, who were guarding the carriage. The assassin escaped.

Riga in Flames. The docks and warehouses at Riga are said to be in flames. Riots have practically pillaged the shops, and it is feared in St. Petersburg that the city of Riga will be destroyed.

Eight Large Cities Declare Independence

BERLIN, Oct. 28.—The Russian legation here received a dispatch today from St. Petersburg, saying that the revolution is now in full swing in Moscow, Kharkoff, Riga, Lodz, Kieff, Samara, Warsaw, and Saratoff.

These cities are reported to have overthrown the authority of the imperial government and to have established a government of the people. Russian bonds held by Berlin people have depreciated in value over six points since Thursday.

Over 300 residents of St. Petersburg are said to be on their way to German territory.

St. Petersburg Fears Bloody Encounter

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The correspondent of the Evening Standard at St. Petersburg wires that the military commandant at Kieff has ordered the troops to recapture Kharkoff, where a state of war now exists.

A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from St. Petersburg states that it is feared there will be bloody encounters tonight between the soldiers and the people in the vicinity of the university, where it has been announced another great meeting will be held.

Strikers Blow Up Bridge Near Warsaw

WARSAW, Poland, Oct. 28.—Martial law has been declared here. Strikers have blown up the bridge at Myszkoff, near this city. The railway tracks have also been torn up for a considerable distance.

Count Witte Wanted To Lead Revolution

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 28.—On all sides a demand is going up from the idle and hungry workmen that the czar shall abdicate his throne because of his inability to safeguard and protect the rights and privileges of the masses against the oppression of the bureaucrats. Never before in Russia has been heard such violent denunciations of the Romanoff dynasty as that voiced today by the people.

Count Witte is being urged in memorials from the strikers to seize the reins of government and declare that the time